

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)

Applicant(s): Akihiro YOSHIDA et al.

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10/730,256

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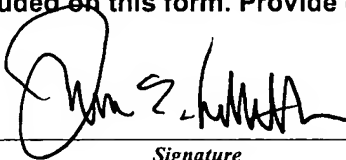
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO QUAYLE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Quayle Action dated April 17, 2007, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Listing of Claims

1-24. (Canceled.

25. (Previously Presented) A gas diffusion layer for a fuel cell electrode, said gas diffusion layer comprising:

a gas diffusion layer which has a water repellent layer for contacting with a catalyst layer of said electrode, wherein: